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Stop the issue of new Licences, unless in exceptional circumstances, in Ireland. A.D. 1901.

BE it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Extent and short title.

1. This Act shall extend to Ireland only, and may be cited as the New Licences Suspensory (Ireland) Act, 1901.

Prohibition of grant of new licences.

2. From and after *the passing of this Act* no licence shall be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors, whether for consumption on or off the premises, except—

(1.) For premises which are now licensed or which were licensed at any time since the first day of January one thousand nine hundred;

(2.) For refreshment rooms at a railway station under the management or control of a railway company; or

(3.) For an hotel, which expression shall refer to a house containing at least eight apartments set apart and used exclusively for the sleeping accommodation of travellers.

Provision for grant of licence in places of increased population.

3. Where, owing to increasing population, there is a growth or extension of any city or town, and the licensing authority are satisfied that the restrictions in this Act on the granting of licences may be relaxed, they may grant a licence to any applicant notwithstanding that the same would be otherwise forbidden by this Act, provided that such licence shall be granted only in the parish or district in which such increase of population has taken place, and in substitution for an existing licence or licences within the same petty sessions district in which the premises for which the licence is to be granted are situate.

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Valuation of premises for a new licence.

4. In the case of applications under section two, sub-section three, and section three, the premises shall be valued under the Irish Valuation Acts at not less than—

Thirty pounds for the city of Dublin and Dublin Metropolitan Police District and the city of Belfast; 5

Twenty pounds in the cities of Cork, Limerick, Waterford, and Londonderry;

Fifteen pounds in the cities of Galway and Kilkenny;

Twelve pounds in any other city or town of over ten thousand inhabitants at the census ascertained next preceding the application; and 10

Ten pounds in all other places.

Saving for existing licensed premises.

5. Nothing in this Act shall operate to prevent the granting of new licences where the licensing authority thinks fit, to premises attached to or adjoining premises licensed for the sale of intoxicating liquors at the date of *the passing of this Act*, provided always, that such new licence as last herein-before mentioned shall only be granted in order to render the said licensed premises more suitable for the business carried on therein. 15

Assignment of licences.

6. Nothing in this Act shall be taken to affect the law as to the transfer or assignment of licences from one person to another or as to the renewal of licences. 20

Definitions.

7. In this Act the expression "increase in population" shall be taken to mean an increase of not less than fifty per cent. of the population according to the last census. The expression "licence" shall not be held to include a wholesale beer dealers licence or a licence required for a military canteen or an occasional licence, but shall include an excise licence, and these and all other expressions in this Act shall have respectively the same meaning as in the Licensing (Ireland) Acts, 1872 and 1874, and for this purpose this Act shall be construed with the said Acts. 25 30

Duration of Act.

8. This Act shall continue in force until the *thirty first day of December one thousand nine hundred and five*, and no longer, unless Parliament shall otherwise determine.

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